

# The Fashion Magazine Section

## Home and Fashion

### MUFFS

Are Now Much Larger Than Ever Before.

It looks as though the new rug muff were trying to match the present style of hat. Both are huge.

Many of the new muffs are twenty-seven inches across. They not only envelop the hands, but go well up on the arms, and the tails and heads at the edge drop like drapery over the skirt.

The price does not seem to have gone up with the size, strange to say. They do not sell at a rate beyond the average purse. Of course, if one gets into the precious furs such as sable, ermine, mink and Persian lamb, one pays the price accordingly. The great majority, however, are quite content with semi-precious furs, white fox and others of that kind.

Rug muffs of them are not expensive as furs go, so a number of women are appearing in these enveloping additions to their costumes.

With one of these rug muffs over the arms and a large-sized sailor on the head, the coat and skirt are entirely dwarfed. All one needs to hide them from view is to go in for the third popular addition to the costume—an immense bunch of flowers worn at the bust.

For practical folks there is a great deal to be said for the treatment of the present-day furs. It is a case of old furs with new faces. The homely squirrel is cut into an evening cloak and lined with the most glorious view, rose satin, finished with a beautiful embroidered collar and an extra one of loveliest white fox, which is so becoming near a fair face, especially in the evening.

Skunk is not so expensive and is an admirable fur for wear. Stoles, peleries and trimmings of skunk will figure prominently in this season's fashions.

Some of the smartest tailor-made frocks have collars of Persian lamb, pony skin, ermine, squirrel or mole-skin. Emphatically it may be said that no fur is out of fashion. There is nothing that can not be utilized, from the humble rabbit to the best chinchilla, and all have a character of their own. Indeed, one may say nowadays that furriers in a great degree lead fashions, and some of the most beautiful models this year in cloaks and coats have emanated from the best exponents of the art. So many of the directoire models absolutely cry out for ermine and delightful old-fashioned golden otter and beaver. Many of the new ribbed silk coats are now trimmed with skunk, and golden otter can be glorious on white or brown. Ermine, like seal-skin, is holding its own bravely; when of good quality these two furs are worth possessing. The imitation seal-skin, too, is quite marvelous.

### THE GIRL'S ROOM

If the girl has a bedroom of her own, let it be dainty and pretty, but simple, and teach her, as soon as possible, to take care of it herself.

Teach her how to make her own bed properly, explaining to her the importance of airing it well, and teach her how to lay the sheets smoothly and the pillows upright and tidy.

Teach her how to dust thoroughly and the proper way to hang up her clothes and care for everything in the most approved manner.

Explain to her why a feather duster should never be used.

By teaching a girl how to properly care for her own room the foundations of a thorough and neat housekeeper will be formed.

The boy, also, should have a few lessons in bedmaking. If he is taught to hang up his clothes and keep his room neat, it may save an overworked mother time and trouble.

When the girls of the family are made to pick up and tidy after the boys of the family it is apt to cause them to feel rather unjustly treated.

### POPULAR PATTERN VESTS FOR MEN



STRIPES SEEM TO PREDOMINATE IN MEN'S VESTS THIS SEASON, AND SOME OF THEM MAKE EXCEEDINGLY BEAUTIFUL GARMENTS, ESPECIALLY WHEN THE STRIPES ARE BROAD AND RUN UP AND DOWN.



## MADE RECALL DRESS OF THE DIRECTOIRE

### HELPFUL SALT BATH.

The pale, anaemic woman will find the salt bath, prepared as follows, somewhat helpful on dragging summer days: Dissolve forty grams of gelatin in a quart of boiling water; add 100 grams of subcarbonate of soda and fifty grams of sulphate of potassium. Mix thoroughly and pour into a hot bath.

### FASHION TALK

Picturesque effects prevail among evening and even daytime toilets.

Street skirts are but a trifle longer than the summer dresses have been.

Sleeves are longer and flatter and they closely follow the lines of the arm.

Hair ornaments are large, the newest barrettes being from two to three inches wide.

The tendency for soft and clinging skirts now extends to children's wear.

The separate coat of velvet is one of the features of the winter.

The plaid suit or kilted blaid skirt has been adopted by leaders of Paris fashion.

Unlined taffetas of standard colors in good qualities are the ones that bear washing.

Taffeta bands embroidered in silver bullion thread make an especially rich trimming.

White poplin is now substituted for white duck and white linen in suits for little boys.

Beaded ties in inch bands or in ropes are the newest things at the neckwear counters.

Merino silk has appeared in the market as the foundation of some of the most exquisite hats.

Huge mercury wings, bowknots, and enormous flowers are among the new garnitures for the coiffure.

Skirts are really tighter, though the flaring effects about the feet serves to disguise this.

The season's trend of fashion indicates that soft satin ribbon will be used to a great extent.

Hat flowers, such as roses, poppies, and pond lilies are made from gauze, tissues, satins, silks, and velvets.

Broadcloth appears more than any other material in costumes that bring out the directoire suggestions.

A color that is having a great success is a beautiful light and rich brown that is classed among the suedes.



### Bath Perfume.

A delightful and decidedly economical perfume and softener for the bath water is obtained by placing the skins of the breakfast oranges in the tub of warm water some time before using. This imparts the delicate odor of orange flowers to the skin.

### Protect Neck From Featherbone.

The best way to keep the featherbone from hurting the neck is to open the bone at each end and cover with a small piece of tape, then fold over the silk cover. This way the tiny sharp points cannot cut the skin.

### Finger Nails.

The pointed finger nail is now a thing of the past, and will go into history along with the hoop skirt and bustle, perhaps. It is now considered correct to follow the outline of the finger in giving shape to the nails, and moreover a high polish is not considered good taste.

### The Eyes.

It is a good plan to close the eyes for five minutes every few hours. This will not only rest the eyes, but prevent the wrinkled appearance known as "crow's feet" from making their appearance as clearly as they would otherwise do.

### Shampoo Wash.

Two tablespoonfuls of hot paraffin warmed in the oven with an equal quantity of soft soap till the whole can be mixed together, makes an excellent shampoo mixture and helps to strengthen the hair. Add it to a pint of warm water, and use with a lather with the hands and rub well into the hair, rinsing in several waters afterwards.

### Cream Wash.

There are many people whose skin is so dry that a cream wash is often a desirable substitute for the usual one of soap and water. Here is a recipe for a cleansing cream. The cream is free from all irritating agents which have a tendency to promote a growth of hair. Apply the cream with the fingers, working up and out as in massage—on the face and neck, then remove with a soft towel. The recipe is: White wax, two ounces; spermaceti, two ounces; sweet almond oil, 12 ounces; distilled water, two ounces; glycerin, two ounces; nicotinic acid, 50 grains.

### Stand Erect.

There is a moral effect in standing erect. One who is always looking down finds it easier to be down-hearted than another whose eyes seek the inspiration of the blue skies and the stars. There seems to be some connection between a slumped spine and a yielding will. Young people who are inclined to underestimate themselves may learn to hold up their heads in a literal sense, and a revival of their self-esteem is likely to follow.

### FOR BABY

There is nothing nicer for cold weather than overcoats of yarn, and there could be nothing easier to make, if one understands knitting.

They are knitted or crocheted by the directions given in every knitting manual for the ordinary baby's sacque, except that the skirt part extends all the way down, growing in width at every row of stitches until it reaches the bottom of the frock or until it is the proper length for an overcoat.

These jackets are usually made in gray or white, and seldom is another color introduced for then the garment loses the lalored effect, which is its chief charm.

It is a great relief to realize that with a few hours' work and for the cost of a few skeins of yarn a warm and tubbly winter coat may be constructed. Yarn is the softest and most durable material of which to make winter clothes. It is inexpensive and so much more satisfactory than cloth or Bedford cord. Besides, with all such woven materials a lining is necessary, while the knitted jacket may be worn without any lining at all, and mother may be sure that her darling is warm. Another advantage possessed by the yarn garment is its lightness. No matter how ample and roomy it may be, it will not be a weight on baby shoulders.

### THE ATTIC ROOM

Paper the room with white and blue striped paper and omit a border effect. Put blue and white matting on the floor and hang white dotted swiss curtains at the windows. Trim the white iron bed in white and blue organdy and make chair pillows of the same material. Frame pictures in passe-partout, using glass 8x10 inches square and use binding the same color as the wall paper. This will make a clean, dainty-looking room.

### ODDS AND ENDS



### Worth Knowing.

Pull lace gently, opening the mesh with the left hand as you iron with the right.

Cutting onions, turnips and carrots across the fiber makes them more tender when cooked.

For a rusty stove sprinkle lemon juice liberally over the rust before blacking and polishing the stove.

Cheese is an excellent substitute for meat and there is infinite variety in the ways of preparing it.

Thin brown bread and butter sandwiches are the most appetizing accompaniments for fish salad of any sort.

Mix pastry several hours before it is to be rolled out, and much labor is saved and a better result obtained.

The housewife should never allow her floors to be painted; they should be stained, shellacked or waxed.

Whole gloves scattered plentifully among clothing in dresser drawers will keep away moths as effectively as camphor.

A dozen grains of rice in a salt-cellar will

### LAUNDRY

The small accessories of dress may easily and quickly be laundered in one's room. Have a bar of blue laundry soap, which answers the purpose of blueing as well as cleansing and costs but 5 cents. One bar will do many washings. As soon as the turnovers are removed take to wash-bowl, dampen and soap. Do likewise the soiled handkerchiefs. By the time one is in her easy clothes the soaped articles are ready for their dousing in a little water. Rinse them thoroughly and stretch on window pane or mirror, smoothing out every wrinkle. The turnovers are stiff enough by this method of drying without starch. In addition to a clean turnover—a handkerchief—each morning one may have a clean knit vest and stockings by washing and hanging on towel rack the evening before. If after rinsing one will run her hand to the toe of the stocking and stretch it as she draws her hand out it will look as well when dry as if ironed.

absorb dampness and keep the salt in power. It also breaks the lumps that there may be in salt.

### Washing Silk Gloves.

To wash light colored silk gloves satisfactorily put them on the hands, fasten at the wrist, then with a soft nail brush and a bit of soap scrub over the gloves carefully. Rinse well, remove them from the hands, and hang them so they will dry quickly.

### To Iron Waists.

If the button side of waists is ironed in a folded bath towel, buttons turned downward, they will be prevented from breaking and are more easily ironed.

### Cleaning Woolen Goods.

To make woolen goods look like new and to restore their life and color, add one-half cup of vinegar to the rinse water.

### CANDLE SHADES

New and pretty candle shades are made in the simplest possible way. The frame is merely two wire circles—an umbrella-shaped affair, with no angles whatever. The cover is a circle of cretonne about six inches bigger in diameter than is the frame. Around the edge of this cretonne is sewed a fringe of glass beads, which is heavy enough to hold down the cover and cause it to fall in graceful folds. Another circle is cut from the center of the cover just the size to fit around the frame. The cover is then fastened at the inside circle to the frame by a binding of gold braid. The mica shade, of course, fits on the stand entirely independently of the candle shade.

The great advantage of the shade lies in the fact that, unlike most of its kind, it need not be fitted to the frame, nor are there seams to be finished on the under side. Beams of fringe may be bought by the yard and wire frames are extremely inexpensive.

Should handsomer shades than cretonne be desired, the cover may be of brocaded silk or a heavy silk of a solid light color. The fringe might then be silver gold or silver, while the braid at the top would, of course, match it.

### LATEST SHOES FOR WOMEN

